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Alexandria student wins first place in state Arbor Day poster contest

In celebration of Arbor Day in January, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom announced the winners of the statewide Arbor Day poster contest

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All poster entries were created based on the theme, "Trees are Terrific...From Acorn to Oak."

Odom said all of the entries in the contest were outstanding and deserving of special praise.

"I am proud that these students are excited about forestry and trees. Each year the Department of Agriculture and Forestry sponsors poster contests and science fair awards to help generate interest in ag and forestry-related subjects," Odom said. "It's good for students to learn about the backbone of this state's economy and culture, and their enthusiasm shows in their work."

Marshall Cupples, a student at J.B. Nachman Elementary in Alexandria, won first place; Julie Pope, a student at South Highlands Elementary in Shreveport, won second place; and Shaneka King, a student at Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary School in New Orleans, won third place. Courtney Aikman, a student at Holy Cross Elementary in Morgan City, and Sydney Kaspar, a student at Immaculate Conception Cathedral



School in Lake Charles, were selected for Honorable Mention.

The National Arbor Day Foundation sponsors the Arbor Day poster contest in all 50 states. Each state winner is sent to the national contest that is judged later in the spring.

The three winning posters will be on display at the LDAF building in Baton Rouge until April.

All of the winners will be presented their awards in ceremonies to be arranged at their schools. Cupples will receive a \$100 cash prize from the Louisiana Nursery and Landscape Association, a tote bag of prizes from the National

Arbor Day Foundation, and a certificate and tree seedling from LDAF. Both Pope and King will receive \$50 and \$25 cash prizes, respectively, from the association, and other prizes from the Arbor Day Foundation and LDAF.

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The poster contest is open to all fifth-grade students across the state at their individual schools. Winners at the school level are then sent to the state contest and the state winner is sent to compete for the national title.

"I wish Marshall the best of luck at the national contest and hope his poster comes back a winner," Odom said.



Marshall Cupples' Arbor Day poster (above) won first place in the state competition and is enroute to the national contest sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation. Cupples received a \$100 cash prize from the Louisiana Nursery and Landscape Association for winning at the state level. Julie Pope, a student from Shreveport, won second place in the state contest with her poster (left) of children playing in an oak tree. For more winning posters, see page 2.

Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom Fumonisin mold in corn feed likely cause of three recent horse deaths

A mold toxin in feed may be responsible for at least three recent horse deaths, Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob

"We have our state veterinarians notifying local private veterinarians of our findings, what to look for and what the symptoms are," Odom said.

"Our analysis so far indicates that this toxin, known as fumonisin, may produce symptoms similar to those associated with West Nile virus. Last summer's outbreak of West Nile in horses has everyone looking at staggering, blindness, and other neurological symptoms as being clear cases of West Nile," he added. If the West Nile test turns up negative and the horse still exhibits symptoms, it may actually be the fumonisin mold in corn, Odom explained.

Corn and other grains are commonly used for livestock feeds.

Dr. Robert Beine, director of the department's Ag Chemistry Lab, said fumonisin-tainted corn most likely caused the three horses to die.

According to Beine, most farm animals can tolerate low levels of the mold, but for horses it can be deadly, even at 5 parts per million.

Additionally, Beine said 10 tests on corn feed samples have also tested above the 5-ppm limit for the toxin.

Beine's Kentucky roots led him to believe that fumonisin may be the cause of the deaths.

"I came down from the Kentucky state regulatory lab where fumonisin testing is done on every horse feed sample that we receive. I started looking at fumonisin and found very high levels, 90 parts per million in the feed of the dead horses, so we feel fumonisin is likely responsible for the deaths," Beine said.

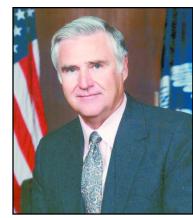
Although the wet weather conditions are good for fumonisin and aflatoxin, another toxin frequently found in stressed corn, as well as other molds, Beine said the discovery of fumonisin should not create a "panic-mode situation."

"I'm not saying not to feed your horses corn feed. I would say the horse owner should use a good grade of horse feed. Definitely don't buy one-feed-fits-all, and don't buy a horse feed that is using a lot of low-quality corn just because it is cheaper," advised Being

There is no way to test horses for fumonisin poisoning, said Beine.

But he stressed, "If your horse tested negative for West Nile and continues to show abnormal neurological signs, pull the feed and have it tested for fumonisin.

"We're telling the vets this could be a possible problem especially if there was a negative West Nile virus test."



However, experts say once symptoms are noticed, fumonisin toxicity is almost always fatal.

Beine said his lab would continue to routinely monitor corn feed for fumonisin contamination.

Lafayette steak house makes 2002 national Top 10 list

Stroud's Steak House in Lafayette has been named one of the nation's Top 10 steak houses in 2002 by the International Restaurant & Hospitality Rating Bureau.

Stroud's is a restaurant with a difference. It has no menus. "The only entrée we serve is steak and our desserts are all homemade," said Dwight Stroud, owner of Stroud's who is celebrating his 40th year in business in Lafayette.

Another hallmark of the restaurant is its wine list. Here there is definitely a menu. "For a restaurant, I have the largest menu of wines between New Orleans and Houston," Stroud said.

"I am the largest individual account in the state of Robert Mondavi wines. We serve over 10,000 bottles of wine a year, not all Mondavi of course, but our customers request over 10,000 bottles of wine a year," Stroud said.

This is the third consecutive year the restaurant has earned the Top 10 in the nation honor. As a result, Stroud's, which seats 70 and is located at 440 Industrial Parkway in Lafayette, was voted into the American Restaurant Hall of Fame where they join 19 other American restaurants. The Top 10 presentation was made at the annual convention of the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association.

In addition, Martin Stroud, the executive chef, was selected one of the Top 100 Chefs in the 21st Century by the ratings bureau.

The elder Stroud got into the restaurant

business by way of the Louisiana oil fields. "Back in the 1940s, I was an oil field salesman selling drilling fluids. There are a lot of real good cooks in the oil fields.

"It was nothing to throw a barbecue for the whole office. And I was doing the cooking. I enjoyed it and I'm still enjoying it all these years later."

He bought his first restaurant in 1952. "One Saturday I had a little bit too much, and I bought the restaurant. The owner called me the next morning and said, 'What are you going to do with this place? You bought it last night.' I said, 'Yes sir, I'll be there shortly.' When I got there he put me on the mop and the first thing I had to do is make the floor white. It's been history ever since."

Stroud's key to success has been attention to detail. "I pride myself on having the best so you have to buy the best. As far as beef, onions and tomatoes, I'm very particular."

He doesn't leave the quality of his meat and produce to the judgment of others. "I want to know if it's a good case of tomatoes or a good case of beef. I feel that if I didn't take care of it personally it would start to slide a bit. I look at everything, every piece of beef. I age every piece of it."

The judging group, the International Restaurant & Hospitality Rating Bureau, has been in the rating's business since 1949. In the United State, the bureau has 5,000 members who are willing to submit evaluation reports on at least one establishment a month



Dwight Stroud (center), owner of Stroud's Steak House in Lafayette, was recognized recently for outstanding achievement by the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association. Stroud's Steak House was named one of the Top 10 steak houses in the United States in 2002. It was the restaurant's third Top 10 award. From left, LCA Board Member Charles Broussard, Stroud and LCA 2002 President Dr. Billy Robinson.

or 12 evaluations a year.

"None of the bureau members are paid for their evaluations. Inspections are conducted on their own time and all expenses are paid personally. This places them in a meaningful position to evaluate the services they receive," according to the Bureau's informa-

"Our purpose is to recognize those establishments and individuals deemed significant and consistently outstanding in their field of endeavor," the Bureau said.

Trees Are Terrific... From Acorn to Oak

Arbor Day poster winners, continued from page 1







Shaneka King, a student at Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary in New Orleans, painted a squirrel scene to win third place in the state Arbor Day poster contest (top). Sydney Kaspar, a student at Immaculate Conception Cathedral School in Lake Charles, and Courtney Aikman, a student at Holy Cross Elementary in Morgan City, were selected for Honorable Mention (left, right respectively).

Strawberry farmers weather freezing temperatures in Jan.

Florida parish strawberry growers expect the worst and hope for the best when it comes to the weather.

Freezing temperatures hit south Louisiana on two successive weekends in mid-January, but farmers were ready.

Older freeze protection techniques, like using overhead irrigation sprinklers to form an insulating ice cover are giving way to the use of row covers to protect the fruit and blossoms.

"Every protection method has its drawbacks," said 34-year old strawberry farmer William Fletcher of Ponchatoula.

"Ice protection is a mess. It floods the field and it washes off the fungicide and then the field is soaked and you can't get in with the tractor to reapply the fungicide, plus the water droplets spread fungus spores around," said Fletcher.

Strawberry producers are planting in October, earlier than ever, said Fletcher.

Fletcher said while the plants can withstand the low temperatures, it's the blossoms he's trying to protect.

The plants make blossoms the whole growing season so it's possible to have berries in January when we can get the best price," he said. "We could never do that without the frost control techniques we have now.

"My grandfather would wait to plant after Thanksgiving when the chance of frost affecting the plants would be over," Fletcher said. "He'd use the overhead sprinklers to protect against a mid-March frost and of course, they didn't have row covers back then."

Fletcher used row covers exclusively to battle the frigid temperatures while others used row covers, overhead sprinklers and their underground irrigation to keep the plants from freezing with varying success.

Although the plants were protected from freezing, Anthony Liuzza of Tickfaw said he lost 50 percent of his blossoms. He used row covers and overhead sprinklers.

"The first night of the freeze (January 23) was when I got hit worst. The wind blew off the row covers," he said.

Joey Quebedeaux, a research associate at LSU's Hammond Research Station, said blossom damage on their plants was minimal, but they used two layers of row cover.

"We only have about a threequarter acre field," Quebedaux said. "It's probably not practical for the large farmers to double cover."

Fletcher estimated he lost 35 to 40 percent of his blossoms, but he was still optimistic about the season

"One major setback, such as we may experience right here with this cold snap, is not necessarily an indicator that it's going to be a bad season," Fletcher said.

"Last year, the '02 season, basically opened and closed within a six-week window and everybody came out fine," he said. "We still picked plenty of berries and it was a successful year."

CATTLE

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Reg. BBU Beefmaster bulls, Classic Cotton bloodline, good conform., clean underline, ready for spring breeding, \$850/1. Gaston Gerald, Greenwell Springs, 70739; (225) 654-8816.

Pb. Angus bull, 4 yrs., calves to show, \$1200. Lawrence Courville, Loreauville, 70552; (337) 229-6541.

Lbw Blk. Angus bull, 4 yrs., ideal for heifers, \$900. Andy Legros, Dequincy, 70633; (337) 786-2645.

Reg. Red Limousin herd bull, 4/97, excel. background & EPD's, had on small herd, gentle, thick muscled, proven calf ease, \$1000. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 868-2693 or (985) 209-0026.

Pb. polled Charolais bulls, 8-10 mos., \$500/1. John Southworth, Hammond, 70403; (225) 567-9726.

Angus bull, 11 mos., \$700; Angus X Brahma bull, 10 mos., \$700. Joe Giacone, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-5049.

Reg. Charolais cattle, 3/n/1's, \$1200-\$1500; open heifer, \$700/1; yrlg. bulls, \$800/1-up; 2 yr. bulls, \$1500-\$1800/1. Harry Comeaux, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 662-3270.

Reg. Angus bulls, high quality, 22-26 mos., will semen test, \$1200/1-up. L.D. Lacour, Jr., Robert, 70455; (985) 345-0441.

(13) Reg. Brangus bulls, gentle, clean sheathed, 2 yrs., ready for service, \$1300-\$1500. Ronald Chiasson, LaRose, 70373; (985) 693-7218

Reg. Charolais bulls, 8 mos. - 2 yrs., from multi-trait leader, \$1000-\$2500. G. Perron, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-5272.

Reg. Charolais bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmydad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. Walter Lemoine, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-7939.

Reg. Brahman bull, 5/97, 4-H calf, gentle & big, calf champion at state, Brahman show, many other titles, also 2 reg. Brahman cows, both 4-H prospects, \$1000/1. Chris Douget, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6763.

Longhorn roper calves, lots of color, \$325/1; heavy breed cow, 2 yrs. & up, \$500/1. Eddie Knoll, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-6200 or (318) 253-9735.

(3) Reg. Brangus bulls, 2 yrs., semen tested, ready for service, \$1100. Raymond Watson, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 665-3426.

(2) Charolais pb. bulls, 3 yrs., \$1100; 3 ½ yrs., \$1300. Justin Thompson, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-2589 or (985) 515-2473.

(9) Blk. 2-3 yrs., first calf heifers, bred to Angus bull, to start calving in Feb., \$700/1. Gene White, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-0195.

Reg. polled Charolais bull, 25 mos., very gentle, big & stout, real nice, \$1800. Bert Lavergne, Scott, 70583; (337) 269-1881.

Replacement heifers, Brahman crossbred blk. & blk. baldies, 24-26 mos., w/Angus calves, calf hood vaccinated, \$800/pr. Richard Reed. Independence, 70443; (985) 878-2330.

Blk. Limousin, 5 yrs., gentle, calves to show, \$1300. Rodney Buller, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-3740

Reg. pb. Charolais bulls, 11-17 mos., \$750/1-up; heifer, 12 mos., \$650. Anthony Pitt, Scott, 70583; (337) 232-2452.

3/n/1 package, pb., Herford cow, w/true F-1 tiger stripe heifer 6 yrs., A.I. Brahman bull & bred back artificially to Brahman, \$1100. Wayne Mouch, Addis, 70710; (225) 322-6100.

Reg. Red Angus bulls, calves to show, Stryker bloodline, \$1500; reg. Red Angus bull, 2 yrs., Leachman's Heaven Sake bloodline, \$1200. Mike Porterfield, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-3961.

(14) Cert. F-1 heifers, 8 mos., \$8400/all, or \$700/1; (6) super blk. baldy heifers, 8 mos., \$3000/all, or \$600/1. Phillip Plaisance, Lockport, 70374; (985) 532-6759.

(2) Yrlg. Brangus bulls, \$1700/1-up, Floridian & Transformer of Brinks bloodlines. Dale Clark, Rayne, 70578; (337) 873-8188.

BBU reg. Beefmaster cow, 12 yrs., easy calving, '01 had twin calves, calving middle spring, bred w/reg. Charolais bull, \$1200. John H. Robin, Lafayette, 70506; (337) 981-0964.

Reg. Beefmaster cows, (3) bred, \$2800/all or your choice, \$1000/1; open heifer, 8 mos., \$500; performance tested bulls, (1) 4 yrs., \$1500; (1) 2 yrs., \$1000, gentle, guaranteed breeders. J.A. Girgenti, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-6992 or (985) 759-1918.

Reg. Charolais, 32 yrs. of Charolais breeding, Duke, Tundra, Wallstreet, weaned bull, heifers, cow & calf pro., 3/n/1's, cert. herd, \$850/1-up. Ivy Guillot, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-8300.

Replacement heifers bred to Angus bulls, \$725/1-up; reg. Angus bulls, 12-16 mos., Kruegers breeding, \$1200/1-up. Ed O'Neal, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-8665 or (337) 463-3946.

Breeding age Beefmaster '01 bull, BBU reg. solid red, smooth polled, Back to Ranger's Pride & King Cole, \$1200. Wayne Medlin, Stonewall, 71078; (318) 687-8563.

(1) 2 yr. Charolais bull, approx. 1400 lb., very gentle & nice birth weight 85 lb., \$950. Walton

Thomassie, Cut Off, 70345; (985) 693-4417.

Reg. Angus bulls, Traveler & Tehama Bando bloodlines, 12-22 mos., very gentle, \$1000/1-up. Albert Roger Sr., Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-6314.

Reg. polled Hereford heifers, 3/16/02, \$400; 7/22/02, \$400. Harvey Young, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 665-2120 or (225) 665-5473.

3 yrs. Angus bull, Hess breeding, \$1500. Linda Thibodeaux, Morrow, 71356; (318) 346-6781.

Reg. polled pb. Charolais heifers, 8-9 mos., \$550/1-up; reg. yrlg. bulls, \$750/1-up. Louis Quave, Bush, 70431; (985) 886-5557 or (985) 871-0317.

Reg. blk. Angus bulls, excel. bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. Jeanette Freeman, Columbia; 71418; (318) 649-5863.

Reg. Red Brangus bull, 2 yrs., \$1100. Neal Veillon, Church Point, 70525; (337) 543-2066.

Reg. Simm. & Simbrah bulls, polled, solid reds, gentle, all shots, del. avail., 8 mos.- 2 yrs., \$550 - \$1150. Harold Laundreneau, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-0505.

Reg. Angus bull, 3 yrs., \$2000. Arthur Freeman, Columbia, 71418; (318) 649-5863.

Reg. Brangus bulls, blk., calving ease, good growth, all gentle, 2-3 yrs. herd bulls, \$1200; junior bulls, \$900-\$1000. Bill Clattenburg, Montpelier, 70744; (225) 777-4909

Blk. Simm. bulls, thick, long, Al sired for calving ease, growth, muscling, \$1000/1-up. Gene Strother, Amite, 70422; (985) 747-0789.

Reg. Santa Gertrudis show bull, 16 mos., \$1100; heifer, 3 yrs. w/ 8 mos. heifer calf, \$1500/pr; 2 ½ yr. heifer exposed to reg. bull, \$850. Andrew Richard, Sugartown, 70662; (337) 328-8192.

Reg. bulls, 2 yrs., low birth weight, high wean. weight, raised on grass, ready for heavy service, Angus, \$1100; Hereford, \$900. John Patrick, St. Francisville, 70775; (225) 635-4614 or 4951.

Reg. Red Angus bulls, '01, Logan bloodline, B.W. EPD's –2.6 to +2.5, 1EA from RSM King ROB, Leachman EBV 6703, IQ Kentre 738. Joe Bailey, Leesville, 71446; (337) 463-8080.

UBB Reg. Braford bulls, top quality, \$850/1-up, sired by the national champion bull, St. Michel Marcelin 696 & other leading sires. Marvin Marmande, Jr., Theriot, 70397; (985) 868-2312.

Reg. Braford 3/8 X 5/8 bulls, 14 mos., 800 lbs., super gentle, great color, lbw, CHV shots, wormed, \$800/1. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 652-6200.

(14) Reg. Charolais cows, w/reg. calves or bred to reg. Char. bulls, (23) cross-bred cows w/Char. calves, (16) reg. Char. or Char. cross-bred heifers, 12-20 mos., (8) reg. Char. bulls, 1-3 yrs., all shots & wormed, 75 head, \$35,000/all or will separate. Lee Cook, Husser, 70442; (985) 748-7043.

Reg. Beefmaster bull, 6/29/02, \$500; Reg. Beefmaster heifer, 6/23/02, \$450, clean underlines &

red in color. Betty d'Augereau, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 643-1724.

Charolais bull, 4 yrs., Braford bull, 4 yrs., both proven breeders, \$1000/1. George Hauser, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-4023.

Reg. Charolais bull, polled, 4 yrs., approx. 1700 lbs., gentle, \$1200. Jack Edwards, Baton Rouge, 70818; (225) 261-6814.

Limousin reg. bulls & heifers, polled, double blk., ready for spring breeding, A-I sires, great EPD's, heavy muscle, \$1200/1-up. Terry Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 364-4241.

Blk. Jersey milk cow, 5 yrs., w/3 mo. heifer calf, \$700. Huey Ducote, Bunkie, 71322; (318) 346-7556

Pb. Simm. cow, 1/25/95, w/blk. heifer calf, sired by Apache double blk., & double pole son of Nichols Black Advantage, \$975. Johnnie Enterkin, West Monroe, 71291; (318) 396-4244.

BBU reg. Beefmaster bulls, dark red, excel. cond., 7 yrs. on 1/4/03, 2000 lbs., no bad habbits, \$1200; 12 mos., \$550. Waldo Thibodeaux, Lafayette, 70503; (337) 235-4587 or (337) 332-3531.

Reg. Angus, Belgian Blue or Blue Angus bulls & pairs, or bred females, \$900/1-up. Phil Myers, Estherwood, 70534; (337) 785-0750

Gelbvieh & Red Angus breeding age bulls, \$1000/1-up. Dotti Knost, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-8044.

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Mo. Fox Trotter mare, beautiful sorrel, 7 yrs., excel. trail show prospect, Southern Jazz breeding, does everything easily, \$3000 Wendi White, Ruston, 71270; (318) 245-9363.

1985 Reg. blk. & wh. App. geld., Puddenhead, Cooterville Echohawk, very gentle, others avail., \$1200/1-up. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457

AQHA yrlg. colts, Colonel Freckles & Sonitas Last on top & Dry Doc, Doc Sug, Doc Bar, Jackie Bee on bottom, prospects for cutting or working cow horse, \$1000. Ron Melancon, St. Amant, 70774; (225) 933-4343.

AQHA sorrel broodmare, 6 yrs., \$3500; AQHA sorrel filly, 21 mos.,\$3000; AQHA chestnut gelding, 3 yrs., \$1500. Randy Loris, Pride, 70770; (225) 654-4501.

QH palomino geld., 14 yrs., good cow horse, can rope, \$1800. Scott Thibodeaux, Iowa, 70647; (337) 478-6283.

Yrlgs. Smart Lil Lena, Colonel Freckles, Handle Bar Doc, Gay Bar King, Extra Fancy, great movers, awesome prospect for cutting or performance, \$1500. Kathy Simoneaux, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-1880.

APHC yrlgs., '02 dark bay stud colt w/blanket & '01 dark bay filly w/blanket, trained at halter, \$900/1-up. Mike & Judy Montgomery, Raceland, 70394; (985) 532-6554 or (504) 909-0512.

18 yrs., bay black geld., first & second in state, 2 yrs. in a row, third at nationals, consistent & ready to rope, \$4000. Wesley Arcement, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-5912.

Reg. TW palomino gelding, 20 mos., shorter type horse, very gentle, blaze, 2 hind socks, \$2000. Shonnie Dove, Winnsboro, 71295; (318) 435-2217.

Reg. APHA 18 mo., sorrel & wh. stud colt, gentle, loads well, has been ridden several times, super barrel or roping prospect, \$800. Travis Howell, Hineston; 71438; (318) 793-8587.

AQHA mare, Doc Bar bred, AQHA mare Zip to Impress (N/N), both in foal to AQHA pal. stallion, current 3N1 & W. Nile vacc., \$1000-\$1200. Charles Casanova, Holden 70744; (225) 294-2585.

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1 ½ yr. filly, by Winter Halo out of Joanie List by Doctor of Music, halter, broke, very gentle, \$500. E. Guillory, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 826-5350.

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(2) Reg. TB gelds., (1) 2 yrs., Walking the Wheel, \$1500; (1) 3 yrs., has 3 races at Delta Downs, \$2500. Lawrence Dartez, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 643-8525.

2002 AQHA stud colt, sired by Peppy Doc Again, out of grand-daughter of Tanquery Gin, \$1500. E.J Reynaud, Jr. Marksville, 71331; (318) 253-7203.

Reg. brown stud colt, 4/18/01, halter broke, loads & gentle, Doc's Smart Red Ant, Smart Peppy Doc, Doe O'Lena, Doc's Sug Smart Peppy, Peppy San & Frosty San Man bloodline, nice colt, \$2000. Terry Rider, Eunice, 70535; (337) 432-5223 or (337) 789-1927.

QH bay mare, 6 yrs., gentle, lots of cow, no bad habits, \$700. Fred Ryder, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2592.

APHA colts, (2) sorrel w/blaze face, bloodlines go back to Leo, Joe Reed, Cactus Ben, High Set & Go Man Go, 10 & 11 mos., \$700/1. Dickey Frizzell, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 654-9040.

Miniature donkeys, (2) wean. Jacks, dark brown w/light points, EEE & West Nile vacc., \$275/1. Ronnie Shaw, Lake Charles, 70607; (337) 479-2406.

1995 AQHA lineback dun geld., team penning, timed events, very gentle, w/no bad habits, \$2500. Karen Strange, Forest Hill, 71430; (318) 748-6688.

2000 AQHA geld., Hollywood Gold, Cutter Bill, Three Bars, Leo & King on 4-gen. ped., green broke, has been very gentle to break & ride, good mind, \$2000. Bill Neef, Lafayette, 70503; (337) 981-5409.

1996 APHA breeding stock mare, futurity winner, excel. conform., easy breeder & keeper, Sonny Dee Bar & Three Ohs bred, 15' 2" & 1100 lbs., \$1800. David Brunt, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-9398.

2002 APHA breeding stock filly, out of Prairie Gold, multi-world champion & futurity winning mare, good conform. & disp., \$800. Sandy Brunt, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-1002.

1988 AQHA gray mare, proven producer, trained for riding, gentle for exp. rider, (Jet Deck top & bottom bred), \$2500, good broodmare too. Sandra Lantrip, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-3227.

Yrlgs. & weans., '02 & '03 all colors, Doc's Hickory, Doc O'Lena, Peppy San, Dry Doc,

Smart Peppys Playboy, Freckles Playboy, Peponita, Leo, Cactus Ben bloodlines, \$650/1-up; '00 reg. AQHA chestnut stallion, Docs Peppy, Peppy San, Dry Doc, Doc's Hickory on papers, easy breeder, prof. trained, \$3000. Debra Gentile, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-9562.

(2) Arabian stallions, 2 yrs. & 6 mos., Talal X Ponomarev bloodlines, \$3000 & \$4000. Veronica Ryan, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 658-5291

Reg. '99 AQHA blk. geld., 90 days cutting, 1 yr.+ ranch work, small, quick w/great handle, ideal times event prospect, \$3200. Andy Legros, Dequincy, 70633; (337) 786-2645.

Gentle riding mare w/8 mos. colt, w/saddle, blanket & bridle, \$1500; gentle riding mare anyone can ride, w/saddle, bridle & blanket, \$1200; gentle geld, w/bridal, blanket & saddle, \$1200, will sell separate. Jimmy Lafleur, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-8555.

Good team draft type gelds., w/harness & wagon, \$4000; gentle Buckskin mule, 8 yrs., w/harness & plow, \$1000, will sell separate. Harry Lafleur, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7558.

2002 IAHA colt, chestnut, blaze face, halter broke, very gentle, excel. 4-H project, Aladdin, Echelon, Rubiana, Shady Lane Rafah, \$900. Sharon McGee, Florien, 71429; (318) 590-1517.

Reg. Racking mare, 10 yrs., gentle, south gait, \$1800; filly natural gaited, 4 mos., \$500. Kline Daigrepont, Lacombe, 70445; (985) 882-7278.

AHPA homozygous mares, exposed to homozygous stallion, \$1995/1-up. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-4238.

1996 APA blk. & wh. gelding, 1 yr. cutting horse training, good disp., \$3000. Mitzi Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-4238 or (225) 644-5382.

National show horse, 6 yr. mare, 15.2 hands, started under saddle, will make a great dark bay dressage horse or hunter, no vice clips, wears blanket, sweepstakes & double reg., \$1700. Lynne Mullens, Livingston, 70754; (225) 698-9250.

Reg. Palomino filly yrlg., Impressive, 3 Bars, 2 Eyed Jack, Double-A-Dolly, O'Quinns Amy, Super Lola, My Rowdy Friend, Miss Stingaroo, big & well muscled, \$1500.Chris Douget, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6763.

2002 sorrel colt, AQHA & FOHN, double bred, El Rey Rojo, top, Hollywood Gold, bottom, \$1500. Carl Chiasson, Scott, 70583; (337) 896-4596.

AQHA 12 yrs. mare, running bloodlines, great on timed events, \$2000; AQHA yrlg. stud colt, \$1500 obo., others avail. Mike Brown, Killian, 70462; (225) 695-6705

Kid safe Paso Fino geld., smooth gaits, anyone can ride, draft/QH cross geld., gentle, rides pulls, parade exp., \$1500/1; APHA yrlg., stud show quality, \$2500 obo. Christina Miller, Killian, 70462; (225) 695-6746.

Double reg. purebred Arabian stallions, mares, colts & fillies, Egyptian/Spanish bloodstock, Ibn Halima, Morafic, Kabull, Barich de Washoe bloodlines, \$1500/1-up. Jeff Dupre, Washington, 70589; (337) 585-2642.

Double reg. black & white gaited stud, 6 yrs., proven sire, hip injury prevents showing, sweet natured, easy breeder, saddle work started, breeding & pleasure only, \$1200. Donavan Stoute, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 585-8046 or (337) 942-0251.

AQHA Raisa Pac 1989 mare, Raise Your Glass daughter, \$15,000; LQHBA Cash is Happy, 2002 filly, \$5000, LA accredited, many more. Susan Harrison, Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-9020.

Reg. APHA, 5 yr. blk. & wh. tovero mare, used to work cattle & heading horse, 15.2 hands, 1200 lbs., handles good, quiet, no vices, \$3500. Ted Champagne, St. Martinville, 70582; (337) 394-1222 or (337) 374-8353.

APHA 2002 bay tovero stud colt, very gentle & laid back, flashy w/2 blue eyes, performance bred, handled daily, \$1200. Art Martin, Minden, 71055; (318) 377-8374.

Belgian cross mare mule, sorrel, 15 hands, pulls single, double & rides, approx. 12 yrs., surrey & harness also avail., \$2500. Thomas O'Keefe, Loranger, 70446; (985) 796-0127.

Miniature horses, male & female, 3 yrs., \$400/1 or trade for cows. Dale Guillory, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-3676.

Miniature horse, AMHA stallion, 1½ yrs., very gentle, 32", \$500. Jackie Hernandez, Church Point, 70525; (337) 684-6958.

Reg. TW, 7 yr. blk. mare, bred to 17-hand homozygous, due in May, \$2000; reg. spotted mare, 2 yrs., bred to reg. TW tobiano paint, due in April, \$1800. Paul Broussard, Broussard, 70518; (337) 837-1368.

2001 APHA colt, off of 2x reserve grand champion roping horse, Shots Flying Spark, started in round pen, great disp., \$2500. Joe Coley, West Monroe, 71291; (318) 397-4534.

STALLION SERVICE

AQHA 7 yr. sorrel stallion, prof. cutting horse & all around working cow horse, grandson of Colonel Freckles, & Gay Vic Tari, great disp., \$350/\$3 mare care. Ron Melancon, St. Amant, 70774; (225) 933-4343.

AQHA palomino, Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care; blk & wh. Appaloosa, Cooterville, Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

AQHA/PHBA Palomino, Son of Mr. Golden Dish & Skipas Foxy Lena, excel. disp., \$250/\$6 mare care. Charles Seal, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 748-8572.

AQHA brown bay, Peppy San

Badger, Miss Santana Doc, Pudden Head Doc, heavy muscled, all around ranch work, sorting & roping, \$350/\$7 mare care; AQHA dark sorrel, Eatin Out, Doc Hickory, Bob Ace Doc, Poco Josie Bueno, cutting bred, quick & athletic, \$450/\$7 mare care. James Reed, Westlake, 70669; (337) 491-0922.

Smart Zan Lena, own son of Smart Lil Lena 743000, out of Sparkle Suzanna, 3x world champion \$75,000 LTE, athletic as they come, \$750/\$8 mare care. Kevin Simoneaux, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-1880.

Homozygous APHA blk./wh. stallion, Skip-n-King reg. mare, \$350; grade mare, \$250, no mare care. B. Bertrand, Branch, 70516; (337) 684-3028 or (337) 580-0161.

APHA red dun homozygous tovero w/ 2 blue eyes, Barlink Macho Man & foundation of 3 Bars, Bill Cody, Leo, \$400/\$6 mare care. Kim Martin, Minden, 71055; (318) 377-8374.

AQHA gray, Docs Hickory, Dry Doc, Mr. San Peppy, Right this Minnick, Colonel Freckles, large frame, good bones, lots of athletic ability, first breeding season, \$350/\$7 mare care. Lanie Reed, Westlake, 70669; (337) 491-0922.

Boot Scootin Dually, 1992 AQHA stallion, LTE \$56,000+, Dual Pep sire, Jae Bar Maisie dam, \$2000. Susan Harrison, Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-9020.

Arabians, straight Spanish, gray, produces color, champion bloodlines, extremely long neck, foals to show; Egyptian, snow white, multi-champion at halter, Very Typey, sires exotic foals, both 15+ hands, \$600, purebreds, others nego. F. Larry Martinez, Port Barre, 70577; (337) 585-6969.

AQHA gray, 15 hands, 1200 lbs., finished reined, working cow horse, excel., disp., produces extremely gentle babies, w/pretty heads, big hips & color, has lots of leg bone, \$400/\$6 mare care. John Swope III, Georgetown, 71432; (318) 827-5404.

Standing three, AQHA & FQHA, '86 Buckskin, \$250; '01 dark Palomino, \$300; '01 red lineback dun, \$200. Carl Chiasson, Scott, 70583; (337) 896-4576.

Shining Sneakers X Shining Spark, Incentive Fund, AQHA performance ROM, MQHA highpoint reiner, NRHA money earner, \$750/\$8 mare care, chute, \$250/\$8 mare care. Cheryl Borer, Walker, 70785; (225) 667-7415.

AQHA '83 sorrel, son of Doc's Lynx, out of daughter of Snippy San, brother to Mr. San Peppy, foundation breeding in cutting & finish cutter, \$650/\$7 mare care. Tyler Reed, Westlake, 70669; (337) 491-0922.

AQHA '87 sorrel, w/blaze, excel. disp. & conform., own son of Colonel Freckles, by Dipitty Doc., maternal grandsire, Doc's Juniper, second dam, Doc's Serendipity, \$350/\$5 dry; \$7 wet. Raymond Lemaire, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 622-2772 or (225) 622-0969.

1995 APHA blk. & wh., tob. /overo, professionally trained for

Western Pleasure, gorgeous head w/outstanding disp., \$250/\$5 mare care. Jane West, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA palomino stud-sport model breeding, gorgeous head, produces tanks w/color, babies on site, \$500/\$5 mare care. Jane Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

1998 Palomino stallion, Doc Bar bred, 15.3 hands, 90% foundation, third generation delute gene, produced 100% delute color for 2002, exceptional disp. & conf., \$350/\$5 mare care. Mike Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA, Peppy Doc Again, son of Nina Peppy Doc, out of Netties Sugar, by Sugar Again, trained cutting horse, \$500/\$4 mare care. E.J. Reynaud, Jr., Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-7203.

1998 Palomino, pro. trained, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Wimpy, Poco Dell, Leo, Go Dick Go, Skipa-W, \$400/\$4 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-9562.

Arabian chestnut, Talal X Donna Yamama, \$850, pb., \$500/others; Arabian gray, Tammern X Miraqulous, \$650/pb., \$500/others. Veronica Ryan, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 658-5291.

King Ranch bred son of Peppy San Badger, finished cutting horse, points & cutting, very nice horse, \$500/\$5 mare care. Ronald Brassette, Bunkie, 70586; (337) 461-2674.

AQHA palomino, son of Gay Holly Bars, world champion cutting horse, fourth generation Palomino, throwing great colts w/lots of color, best disp., \$300/\$5 mare care. Jeff Brassette, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 461-2674.

APHA homozygous blk. & wh. stallion, '98 Miss. grand champion in halter, guaranteed paint, good conf., \$250/\$5 mare care. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-5238.

SWINE

Feeder pigs, corn fed on concrete, wean. to 200 lbs., Yorkshire/Landrace, \$35/1-up. J. B. Richard, Scott, 70583; (318) 269-1755.

SHEEP & GOATS

Reg. wh. Katahdin male sheep, proven, 2 yrs., 200 lbs., \$200. R.J. Fall, Mamou, 70554; (337) 468-2157.

- (1) Brush goat breed, \$85; (1) Nubian goat breed, \$85. Lea Wortmann, Pearl River, 70452; (985) 863-0575.
- (2) 1 yr. males, ½ Dorper & ½ Katahdin, \$115/1; Katahdin male, 3 yrs., over 225 lbs., red & wh. \$275. Merlin Leger, Lafayette, 70501; (337) 264-9213.
- **Boer nannies,** \$75/1-up; 100% Boer billy, \$400; Wethers, \$40/1-up. Flenn Austin, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 628-6150.

Fb. Boer billies, w/papers, good breeder, excel. conform. & breed characteristics, kids to show, 1 yr., \$250/1-up. Anthony Mumphrey, Eunice, 70535; (337) 550-0826.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

ABCA reg. Border Collie pups & started stock dogs, blk./wh. & red/wh. imports from Scotland & Wales, will demonstrate at work, \$300/1-up. Rodney Cotton, Pineville, 71360; (318) 640-2042.

Reg. Border Collie pups blk. & wh., well color marked, born 11/02/02, \$125/1. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4094.

Cat. pups, born 12/18/02, leopards, glass eyes, had all shots, \$100-\$150/1. B. Bergeron, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-1909.

NALC Cat. pups, off proven stock, Wager & Fairchild blood., \$150/1. Kevin Perron, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 648-3283.

AKC Corgi, 7 yr., male, DNA'd, \$350; AKC pups, excel. bloodlines, red, wh. & tri's avail., \$300-\$450, depending on pup. Mona Yarbrough, Church Point, 70525; (337) 668-4765.

AKC reg. Australian Shepherd, blue Merle, show quality, working stock at stud, \$200. Henry Teer, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 664-7886.

Reg. Australian pups, parents on site, \$175. Steve Carter, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 654-4264.

Pb Border Collie pups, grandparents were imports from Scotland & Wales, parents are working stock dogs, on premises, \$200. Penny McCollough, Pitkin, 70656; (318) 358-3329.

Reg. blk. & wh. Border Collie pups, working parents on premises, born 12/29/02, shots & wormed, \$150/1. Louis Marks, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 754-5960.

Wanted: Australian Shepherd at stud, must be of high quality & be of working stock, willing to pay stud fee, second pick of litter, does not have to be papered. Sharlane Clattenburg, Montpelier, 70744; (225) 777-4909.



Parrolets, normals, \$100/1; blue, \$250/1; goffins, \$500/pr., or will trade. Jack Monks, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-6600.

Parrolets, \$100/1-up; green cheek conures, producing, \$300/pr.; goffin cockatoos, \$500/pr. Gloria Monks, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-6600.

Indian ring-neck parakeets, '02 hatch, violet, dark green/blue,

turquoise, gray, lacewings, greens split to various mutations, a few mature birds avail., \$100-\$2500/1. Kent Benton, Livingston, 70754; (225) 686-0248.

Pureflo 105-1 incubator, used 2 yrs., ostrich, emu & geese, \$3000 or trade. John Evelyn Bowman, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-5949.

Gouldians, \$115/pr.; orange cheeks, \$20/1; spice, \$12/1; orange weavers, \$10/1; zebras, \$7/1; societies, \$5/1. Daniel Chauvin, Houma, 70364; (985) 876-7966.

Cockatiels, large breeder age, 1-3 yrs., \$25/1-up, albinos, lutinos, pearl pieds, grays, cinn. & most combos, all closed banded & come w/papers, \$35/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City, 70380; (985) 631-3498.

Double yellow head Amazon, tame & talking, w/cage, \$700. Lenny Cardenal, Harvey, 70058; (504) 341-0643.

Ring-neck doves, normals & whites, \$5-\$7.5/1, proven mated pairs, \$20-\$30/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-5729.

GQF 1266 incubators & 1270 hatcher, \$300/1. A. Sherman, Crowley, 70526; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 581-2568.

Cordon blue male, \$50/1; diamond doves, \$15/1; spice finch, \$10/1; lg. English zebras, \$10/1; java rice birds, \$20/1; African silver bills, \$10/1; split black cheek zebra, \$5/1. Donald Jacob, Laplace, 70068; (985) 652-6614.

Ring-neck parakeets, (2) 2 yrs. & (2) 1 ½ yrs., all split to blue/wh., \$400/all; zebra finches, \$5/1; button quails, \$5; quaker parrots, proven pair, \$200. James Breaux, Sr., New Iberia, 70560; (337) 364-4854.

Diamond doves, blue wh., cinnamon wh., yellow, yellow wh., & red, all closed banded, \$20/1-up. Mervin Faul, Iowa, 70647; (337) 582-6674.

Cockatiels, young, \$20/1; parakeets, young \$7/1. Wilman Richard, Lake Charles, 70615; (337) 433-6533.

Wanted: incubators, & hatchers, GQF or any kind of chicken equip. D.J. Sherman, Crowley, 70526; (337) 788-0240 or (225) 581-2568.

Wanted: black mask, male lovebirds. Ules Dugas, Erath, 70533; (337) 937-6900.



Baby ducks, all kinds, \$3.5/1. Tracey Freeman, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 732-5060.

Red jungle fowl roosters, pb., \$100/1; Silkie X jf roosters, \$6/1. Kent Benton, Livingston, 70754; (225) 686-0248.

Blue peacocks, 2 yr., \$75/pr., tame; muscovy ducks, \$4-\$6. B. Soileau, Mamou, 70714; (337) 468-5622.

Wild turkey gobblers, domesticated, mature, \$100/1. John Savoy, Prairieville, 70769; (225) 622-1795.

Tom turkeys, \$20-\$25/1. Joe Giacone. Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-5049.

Turkey hens, \$20/1 or \$30/2; peacocks, India blue, \$30/1 or \$50/pr. Lillian Brown, Erwinville, 70729; (225) 627-9563.

Baby Pharoah & golden Manchurian quails, \$.25/1; large meat quails, \$20/doz. Patti Arnold, Cecilia, 70521; (337) 667-6632.

(30) Peking & Peking-Ruen mixes, \$6-\$8/1. Michael Mann, Ferriday, 71334; (318) 757-7958.

Splash, white, black, red pyle, old English, mottled cochin bantams, anaillusion bantams, \$25/pr. Leo Palmisano, Belle Chasse, 70037; (504) 656-2058.

Bantam chicks, 5 kinds, \$2/1-up, all pure bantams; eggs, \$6/doz. H. Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-1490.

Turkeys, mixed breeds, 10-12 mos., \$35/pair. Kevin Siebert, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-3164.

Mix & pure bantams, \$3/1-up; eggs, \$6/doz.; aut. cabinet model #1266 GQF incubator, \$250; hatcher, \$200. J.L. Duplechin, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5407.

Wanted: assorted or pb. mini bantams. Reagan Pylant, Ruston, 71270; (318) 225-7562.

Wanted: black male swan, 2 yrs. of age or older. Damian Shaheen, Opelousas, 70570; shaheen@charter.net (337) 948-3437.

DEER & EXOTICS

Bison, all ages, \$450/1-up. Don Reinert, Ville, Platte, 70586; (337) 461-2634.

Trophy elk, \$1000/1-up; trophy fallow deer, \$500/1; water buffalo bull, 2000 lbs., \$1000. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale, 71463; (337) 639-2953.

Rocky Mt. elk., 1-9 yrs., \$1000-\$2000/1. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

Elk, 7 mos. - 6 yrs., both male & female, \$600/1-up. Dillard Sikes, Minden, 71055; (318) 371-1523.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Bass, 60¢/1; bluegill, 20¢/1; crappie, 30¢/1; chinquapin, 30¢/1; catfish, 20¢/1; hybrids, 25¢/1; carp, \$9/1; minnows, \$8/1 lb., del. avail. Frank Book, Shreveport, 71107; (318) 929-4251.

Channel catfish, $20 \frac{1}{5}$; bluegill, $20 \frac{1}{5}$; redear, $25 \frac{1}{5}$; bass, $50 \frac{1}{5}$; koi, $50 \frac{1}{5}$ -up; hybrid bluegill, $20 \frac{1}{5}$, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden, 71055; (318) 377-1525.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Ped. or non-ped., seedstock, New Zealand whites, & mini Rexes, \$10/1. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 868-2693.

Lop bunnies, \$10/1; dwarf bunnies, \$10/1; many colors, dwarf breeder bucks & does, \$10/1. R.

Myers, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-5123.

Breeder does, FR-100, \$200, commercial NZ, 1-4 mos., Californias, \$5/1-up. Leon Boudreaux, Jeanerette, 70522; (337) 276-6164.

Mixed breed rabbits, \$5/1-up; breeders, \$10/1-up. J.L. Duplechin, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5407.

Wanted: rabbits, preferably New Zealands, Californias & mixed breeds, 8 lbs./up. Wade Rodi, Braithwaite, 70040; (504) 682-0726.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

Rapides Parish, 225 acres, pasture, 2 ³/₄ acre pond, w/house, (2) hay barns, hayfield & steel catch pen, blacktop frontage, Alexandria, \$350,000. David Bodie, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 448-4178.

Wanted: farmland or timberland in north or central La., will even buy undivided interest. Wayne Sharp, Minden, 71055; (318) 868-7426.

Wanted: 50-100 acres, timberland in southwest or west central La., after 4p.m. Wayne Fontenot, Orange, TX 77632; (409) 746-2158.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Yellow & purple datura, blk.eyed Susan, red cypress, purple pincushion vines, 4 o'clocks (pinwheel & variegated), long-handle gourd, red Texas star, pink hibiscus, \$1.5/seed pkt. w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

3 gal. azaleas, dwarf gardenias, berfidi holly, \$4.5/1; red tip, snow Indian hawthorn, bridal wreath, blue rug juniper, \$5.5/3 gal.; variegated liriope, \$1.5/1 gal.; Marinelle & Savanna hollies, 10 & 15 gal., \$12/1-up. Johnnie Fink, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-3250

2002 hot-Peter pepper seeds, \$1/50-seed pkt. w/SASE. Cleveland Guidry, 918 E. Ash St. Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-2042.

Prize large red camellia, w/yellow thistle in center, \$25/3 gal. Cavaell Galloway, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 732-4918.

Gourds, large birdhouse, dipper & egg, cushaw, crookneck, green stripe, \$1.5/30-seedsw/SASE. James Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

HAY & GRAIN

6'x4' Rd. bales of Bahia, \$20/1 or \$18/1 if (20) or more taken. Quentin Stears, Washington, 70589; (337) 826-3807.

Alicia & mixed Bahia hay, 4'x5' bales, well cured, under cover, \$20/1, \$2 discount if (25) or more bales taken. Charles Bernard, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-2043 or (337) 224-4976.

Hay, large rolls in barn, \$25. T. C. Warner, Bossier City, 71112; (318) 347-6806.

Kansas Alfalfa hay, horse quality, \$8.50/1 or \$8/1 if (50) bales or more taken. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

Mixed grass, Bahia, crab grass & Bermuda, well cured, without rain, 4'x5½' rolls, approx. 1200 lbs, all stored in barn, '02, \$25/1. Charles Leger, Port Barre, 70577; (337) 585-7393.

Bahia mix hay, 5'x5' rd. bales, \$20/1, will load. Berwick Olivier, Bourg, 70343; (985) 594-2740.

2002 Bahia, 4'x5' rd. bales, weed free, cured, without rain, del. avail., \$20. Homer Butsch, Bush, 70431; (985) 892-4041.

5'x5' Rd. hay for cows, \$20; square hay for horses, \$3. Benny Wink, Downsville, 71234; (318) 982-5692 or (318) 355-5250.

Bahia hay, fertilized, cured, without rain, 4'x6' rd. bales, stored in barn, \$20/1. Ernest Rion, Jr., Reeves, 70658; (337) 666-2404.

4'x5' rolls mixed grasses, excel. quality, \$16/1. Ken Richardson, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-3151 or (318) 664-2615.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Live oaks, Japanese plum, Celeste fig, wax myrtle, Japanese yew, Chinese fan palm, \$8/3 gal.; monkey grass, \$1/3 qt. tufts; amaryllis red, \$5-\$10; pomegranate dwarf, \$10/3 gal. James Stelly, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4528.

Grafted pecan trees, Melrose, Sumner, Elliot, 4'-8', disease resistant, \$21.95-\$24.95. Charles Anderson, Cloutierville, 71416; (318) 379-0980.

Cypress trees, 4'-5', \$4/3 gal.; river birch, \$4/3 gal. Glenn Austin, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 628-6150.

River birch trees, \$10-\$14, 5'-10'. Lawrence Kelly, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-4552.

Mayhaw trees, lg. fruited varieties, Mexican plum, mulberry, chickasaw plum, crabapple, native blk. cherry, gen. improved, catalpa, \$5-\$25/1. Kent Benton, Livingston, 70754; (225) 686-0248.

Crape myrtle (B&B) root ball, 8' & up, \$20-\$25, legustrum root ball, 6', very full, \$25; holly, 8' & up, in field, you dig, \$40; Leylend cypress, \$6/3 gal., \$25/ 15 gal.

Johnnie Fink, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-3250.

Pecan & fruit trees, \$10-\$32; ornamental trees, live oak, red oak, maples & more, \$5-\$45, container or bare root. Brad Theall, Carencro, 70520; (337) 278-7405.

Pecan trees, Elliott, 2 yrs., \$30/10 gal.; shumard oak, 4 yrs., \$35/15 gal.; river birch, \$6/3 gal. James Robin, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Fig trees, will ship, dormant bare root, 2 yr. plants, \$12 S&H included, 8 varieties, SASE for list. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Satsuma trees, brown select, \$12; owario, \$12; live oaks, \$10, all in 3 gal. James Dufresne, Vacherie, 70090; (225) 265-2690.

Cypress trees, \$8/1. D. Bordelon, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 345-4280.

Monkey balls, climbing vines w/large beautiful leaves, \$6/lg., \$4/med., \$2/sm. Louise Knight, Rosepine, 70659; (337) 463-6769.



Beauregard sweet potatoes, \$7/40 lb. box, cheaper in quantity. Brown McLemore, Gilbert, 71336; (318) 435-6833.

TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

30 hp trac., w/bush hog in good cond., \$5500. Joey Zito, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 664-4403.

Hippers, JD, rebuilt, one row, 3 pt., excel. cond., \$250. Melanie Rachal, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6641.

Allis 7050 trac.,150 hp, \$550; IH 454, new engine, paint, starter, \$6500; IH 1066, 130 hp, \$5500. J. Oliver, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 276-3453 or (337) 269-7421.

IH cub trac., completely rebuilt '95, cult., IH planter & fert., dist. G-Whiz, disc hillers, \$3500. Charles Long, Coushatta, 71019; (318) 932-6177.

JD 7100, 8-row folding, \$800; 8-row folding Taylorway cult., \$500. R. T. Faulk, Monroe, 71201; (318) 325-1685.

Ford TW20 trac., excel. cond., \$18,500. Dennis Leblanc, Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 209-3010

Int. B-414 gas trac., w/shredder, \$3000. Harry Lafleur, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7558.

1066 TNT trac., 130 hp, new tires, runs well, \$5500. Ronald Singleton, Iowa, 70647; (337) 582-7435

New Holland 1033, bale wagon, used this year, in good cond., \$3200. Dale Cartimiglia, New Iberia, 70560; (337) 367-6228.

7600 Ford trac., w/8' Ford bush hog, \$9000; (2) hay spikes, \$50/1. Bobby Granier, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-3357.

Longtrac starters, Delco, new, \$240; rebuilt \$210; Cat I quick hitch, \$185; complete diesel head for Ford 3000 & 4000, \$395. James Degeyter, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 754-7682.

Farmall 140 trac., bush hog, disc & tool bar, all in good cond, \$2500. Thurman Ross, Hornbeck, 71439; (318) 565-4897.

Hay rake, \$400; Pro-lick tank, \$50. Elmo Doyle, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 634-7857.

Case DH-4 trencher backhoe, angle blade, hyd. bore, \$6500. Gary Williams, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-7070.

3 pt. hitch, all angle grader, 6' blade used about 10 times, good shape, \$200. John Delvisco Sr., Independence, 70443; (985) 878-3534

JD 1430 breaking disc, 3 yrs., good shape, \$1800. Chris Tassin, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-8878

Tiller, 8' Sidewinder, 3 pt. hitch, good shape, \$1200. Ronald Jones, Gibsland, 71028; (318) 843-6615.

Howse model ES30, dirt scoop, excel. cond., \$200; '78 JD, model JD2840, excel. cond., low hours, \$8750. Robert Fletcher, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-8622.

Vermeer hay Baler, 554XL series, rolled less than 100 rolls, kept under shed like new, \$14,500. Clifton Wells, Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-2853.

New ditch pump, 12" intake, 10" discharge, heavy duty, \$3275. Robert Gary, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-4005.

(3) row Monosen planter w/fert. & chem. hoppers, planter plates sized for smallest to largest seeds, kept under shed, \$3500. Jan Bryant, Deville, 71328; (318) 466-5635

820 M. Belarus, needs repair, or for parts, \$2500; Case IH, 25' disc, \$5000. Jimmy Aguillard, Lake Charles, 70607; (337) 523-5161.

JD combine model 8820, 4 wd, used last season, \$16,000. A.R. Bordelon, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-7125.

Vermeer rd. baler, 504 super "I" hay saver wheels, electric tie, preseason serviced annually by Vermeer dealer, no dents, scratches or welding, excel. cond., \$7900. Alvin Rachal, Jr., Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6641 or (337) 831-1102.

Belarus 400A trac., sell or trade w/some tools, \$4000; Mitsubishi-MT372, w/woods RM42 finish mower, sell or trade, \$2500. John Bowman, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-5949.

Ford 6710, cab, dual power & hyd., 90% rubber, motor overhauled in '01, very dependable, \$6000; new Great Bend front-end loader, \$10,000. Jerry Heirtzler, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-5802.

1999 Krone rd. baler, used 3 seasons, 4' x 5' rolls, like new, monitor, auto twine wrap, excel. cond. \$7500. Joe Pieri, Folsom, 70437; (985) 796-9538 or (504) 832-0885.

JD 466 rd. baler, 3 yrs., \$15,000; Kuhn mower conditioner, 4 yrs., \$8500. Josephine Capdeboscq, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-4374. Massey-Ferguson 165 trac., 50 hp, very good cond., \$5500. Tom Gingles, Hall Summit, 71034; (318) 894-9164.

Massey-Ferguson 240 trac., w/MF-232 front-end loader, 43 hp, '94 model, 850 hrs, \$11,500. A.P. Douzart, Alexandria, 71315; (318) 449-1349.

Rhino 16' disc, w/cyl., \$1000; JD 3 pt. roto-harrow, \$250; 3 pt., 2 pan breaking plow, \$150; Int. 300 utility trac., needs starter, good tires, runs fair, \$500. Gary Burks, Starks, 70661; (337) 743-5487.

6600 Ford trac., canopy, dual hyd., new clutch & hyd. pump, 70 hp, good clean trac., \$7450. Herschel Bryant, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-5117.

Farmall 504, high crop gas trac., 3 pt. hitch, runs, \$1700; Farmall A parts trac., \$175; JD AR, '49, restored, \$3700. Gerald Davis, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7652.

HD 315 woods batwing, \$2195; red cub, w/belly mower, \$995; JD 830 diesel p/s, good cond. \$5800; Ford '94 56105, excel., \$10,500; IH 1466, 2 p canopy, good, \$5800; Ford 6700, w/loader, \$6500; IH 1586, cab, running, \$2495. R. Coldiron, Jonesville, 71343; (318) 339-7876.

Case 450c dozer, Komatsu PC-60 track-hoe, Dodge 6 yd. dump & gooseneck trailer, ready to work, \$35,000. Patrick Meche, Loranger, 70446; (985) 230-0832.

Model 6 Northwest dragline, 2 yd. Hedrix Buchet, 70' boom, recent repairs, excel, tracks, functions etc., spare cables, \$9500. Homer Lindley, Baton Rouge, 70895; (225) 927-0361.

IH 5488 tractor c/a, w/like new tires, new engine, \$13,500. James Stacy, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-3692.

JD 450 dozer, angle blade, canopy, winch, etc., good cond., \$16,500; IH 2 cyl., mud bug trac., \$650; several farm tracs. & irrigation pumps. Sam Ducote, Bunkie, 71322; (318) 346-6371.

245 MF diesel, 40hp, good shape, like new, kept under barn, \$10,500. Ernest Webb, Choudrant, 71227; (318) 768-2685.

Heston 5510 electric tie round hay baler, good cond., \$3000. Michael Jordan, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 628-3771.

Heavy duty ridgers, \$375; fert./seed spreader, \$250; spring cult., 4 tine, \$125; sub-soiler, \$250; tool bar, 2 row, \$100. Charles Abrams, Independence, 70443; (985) 878-4255.

12' hyd. JD discs, needs some work, \$400. Robert Jackson, Downsville, 71234; (318) 982-5023.

Kubota 2000 4 wd, 52 hp front loader, 590 hrs., bucket, dirt box, harrow, (2) hayforks, boom, seed spreader, bush hog, \$19,500.Gus Michailakis, Folsom, 70437; (985) 796-0230.

Kubota L-245 off set trac., 3 pt. hook on new & belly plows, front 25 HPE, very nice, \$5850; wind power 3 phase or single 45kw generator on two wheel trailer, good cond. \$1850. Zeb Ginn, Farmerville, 71241; (318) 368-3515.

New 20 hp, 2 wd, diesel utility trac. 540 &1000 rpm, PTO

w/canopy, \$4995. D.J. Sherman, Crowley, 70526; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 581-2568.

420 JD trac., \$9000; 7720 JD combine, \$13,000; 730 Arps backhoe, \$900. Reginold Hargrave, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 643-7009.

Ford 3930, 50 hp, 2 wd, dual remote valves, 6' loader, 200 hrs., aluminum canopy, \$16,800. C. J. LeJeune, Jr., Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-9415.

(2) 18.4-30 trac. tires w/ tube & decent rubber, \$300. Larrell Richard, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-0824.

4-71 Detroit diesel disassembled, needs block, all parts, \$600; Lister diesel parts to complete engine, \$300. Michael Daigle, Branch, 70516; (337) 684-6674 or (337)224-0501.

806 IH trac., diesel, WD D. PTO, D-hyd., 100 hp, \$5500; 500 IH, 14' breaking disc w/hyd. cyl., \$1500. Jame McGee, Bernice, 71222; (318) 368-9396.

7610 S Ford, 90 hp, 4 w/d, 2846 bush hog fontin loader, 8' 3008 bush hog cutter, 8' gannon box blade, 8' rhino blade, hyd. post hole digger, \$34,500. Ray Roden, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-2793.

(2) 1200 gallon fuel tanks, w/elec. pump, \$600/1. Linda Thibodeaux, Morrow, 71356; (318) 346-6781.

Tracs., MMGTS 160793, 1939, MMGT 161246, 1940, one w/PTO, make one out of two, \$1000; '66 Case 930 butane 8284759, good sheet metal, runs, good rubber, \$2500. Harley Bruchhaus, Elton, 70532; (337) 584-2943.

Farmall 140 hp, good cond., \$4000; 5' box scraper, row markers, middle buster, \$1000/all. Billy Allen, Jackson, 70748; (225) 634-7259.

IH cub trac., w/disc, plows & belly mower, ready for gardening & mowing, \$1995. Helen LeBlev, Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-6318.

Finishing mower w/bush hog, 3 pt. hitch, single tire w/chain in center, in good cond., hasn't been used much, \$1700. Joe Tantillo, Albany, 70711; (985) 419-0960.

JD 7720 combine, 4wd, shed kept, 18' header, \$7000. Chad Duhon, Rayne, 70578; (337) 334-9093.

Roanoke rice cart, 70-barrel, good cond., \$1200. Cleveland Thibodeaux, Rayne, 70578; (337) 334-7842.

Ford 6600 trac., 70 hp, new clutch & hyd. pump, canopy, dual remotes, nice clean trac., \$7450. Herschel Bryant, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-5117.

Yanmar trac. w/rear tiller, 4' bush hog, 4' box blade, 6' boom pole, and 16' trailer, \$5250/all, will sell separately. Joe Coley, West Monroe, 71291; (318) 397-4534.

Case 580 backhoe, '96 Super L, 2150 hrs., w/grople bucket, \$22,500. Michel Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 369-8020.

3 Pt. hitch, stump grinder, requires 50 hp trac., \$2000; 5000 Ford trac., auto trans., \$4650; (2) 38" Ford trac rims, \$300; terrain king side mower, 6', w/pump, \$1000; 2640 JD trac., w/canopy, \$6500; 5' pull bush hog, \$350; TD8-E bulldozer, 1700 hrs., w/brush cage & winch, \$18,500;

motor for Ford 2000 gas trac., \$500; (1) side opening cattle squeeze chute, needs work, \$500. Mark Ledoux, Livingston, 70754; (225) 698-6528.

New equipment, 4' box scraper, \$360; 6' box scraper, \$405; MF 243 exhaust, \$150. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 209-0026 or (985) 868-2693.

JD 12' plow/disc, \$1000. Donald Firmin, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-3788.

Ford 8N trac., good cond., new rear tires, \$2500; Snapper tiller, rear tine, R5000, 6 hp Tecumshe engine, runs good, \$200. Ernest & Jackie Albert, Milton, 70558; (337) 856-5726.

250 Balarus trac., 25 hp, diesel w/5' box blade & 5' bush hog w/16' trailer, \$5000; 20' x 30' metal building new on pallet, \$2500. Robert Dickens, Sulphur, 70665; (337) 583-4893.

NH 452 hay cutter, 6 ½' cut, one owner/operator, well maintained, stored in barn, complete w/manuals, field ready, \$1800 firm. Bill Clattenburg, Montpelier, 70744; (225) 777-4909.

Allis Chalmers XT190 w/8' front blade, 125 hp, rear hyd., extra tires, totally rebuilt, \$3000. Judith Doherty, Covington, 70435; (985) 809-1213.

JD 6620 combine, 16' header, good mechanical cond., \$3500. Shelton Miller, Iota, 70543; (337) 658 6801

3' x 7' drag harrow, built on 3 pt. hitch, 2 7/8 pipe, 5" teeth on bottom, good for arenas, road pens, or dirt work, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, 70510; (337) 652-6200.

JD 7720 4-wd, w/18' header, \$15,000; 24' shanks, \$1300; 21' pipe, dragline, \$1000; rice cart, \$500. Craig Adams, Kaplan; 70508; (337) 783-5077.

D-7 3T dozer, hyd. clutch, rear winch, elec. start, good engine, st. blade, poor undercarriage, \$3500; D-7 dozer blaze w/c frame, no wear, \$1800; D7D Hyster winch, \$1200; several Cat D-7 tracs., st. blades, KG clearing blade, parts, take all, \$3000. H.M. Normand, Woodworth, 71485; (318) 445-0098.

Allis Chalmers HD11, bull dozer, runs & shifts out great, \$25,000, w/roof rake; Massey Ferguson industrial trac. w/6' bush hog, \$4000. Bruce Carter, Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-3890.

3 Pt. hitch, 2 bottom plow, \$250. James Boudreaux, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-4183.

Terrain King sidewinder bush hog, includes mounting cyl., controls, PTO pump, etc., complete & working, \$1000. Jonny Fryar, Tullos, 71479; (318) 534-6102.

Cummins/Onan L634T, 6 cyl., turbo diesel stationary engines, in 20T A/C enclosed trailer, good for pumps-comp., has 10kw alt., \$2500/1. G. Perrin, Stonewall, 71078; (318) 925-9774.

JD 7100, 4 row planter w/markers, \$800; Graham chisel plow, 11 tines, \$800; IH 4 row busters w/guage wheels, \$500. JD rm, 4 row cult., \$400. R. Brouillette, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 767-

JD 385 round baler, excel. cond., \$9000; **JD 702**, 10-wheel

hay rake, \$2500; New Holland, 9', 617 disc mower, \$4500. D. O'Quin, St. Landry, 71367; (318) 838-7747.

Wanted: Gravely trac. w/mower attachment in good to excel. cond. Mike Blattner, Covington, 70435; (985) 892-3980.

Wanted: Rayne plane land leveler & tractors, any condition. J. Oliver, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 276-3453 or (337) 269-7421.

Wanted: batwing shredder, 15', approx. 3-4 yrs., excel. cond., w/540 PTO gear box. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: JD 330 trac. or any other 2-cyl. trac., any cond., JD 4020 high crop, or any other JD high crop, running or parts. Larry Leger, Duson, 70529; (337) 873-8245.

Wanted: tractors, any cond. J. Oliver, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 276-3463 or (337) 269-7421.

Wanted: 10' rotary cutter/mower, 1000 rpm, used on 165 hp tractor, lift, pull, or semi mount. J. A. Coco, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-7490.

Wanted: Brillion pull-type cultivator, single or double, prefer working, consider broken one for wheels, pref. in south La. Charles Morvant, Broussard, 70518; (337) 856-5352

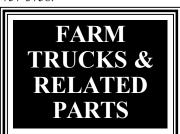
Wanted: ditching machine for small tractor, center or offset. Daniel Richard, Breaux Bridge, 70517; (337) 667-8356.

Wanted: industrial or contractor's grade box blade, 5'-8', 3 pt. hitch or pull. F. J. Prescott, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 658-9319 or (337) 942-7621.

Wanted: 435 Int. diesel, for parts, does not have to run. C.C. Gonsoulin, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 685-2563.

Wanted: good engine block for an Int. super "A" tractor. Herbert Kittrell, Metairie, 70003; (504) 455-3853.

Wanted: 5' or 6' Bush Hog brand bush hog. Johnnie W. Blalack, Waterproof, 71375; (318) 757-3758.



1973 Ford F-700, w/16' steel bed & box w/hyd. hoist, \$3000. Craig Adam, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 783-5077.

New turbo for Cat. 3406 (D8N), \$400; sleeve kits for Case 504 engine (A166134), set of (2) all new OEM, \$200. Gary Perrin, Stonewall, 71078; (318) 925-9774.

1989 GMC ³/₄ ton 4x4 pickup, great cond., \$4200; '95 GMC extended cab pickup, excel. cond., \$7200. Logan Monceaux, Gueydan, 70542; (337) 774-2787.

Truck sleeper, fits Chevrolet trucks '88-'98, \$200. Donald Manuel, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-2546.

1989 Ford F-250 diesel, rebuilt, 4-speed auto, runs but needs work,

\$900. Kurt LeBeouf, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-2651.

Factory Ford turbo charger, w/exhaust for 7.3 diesel engine & heads, clutch compression, fly wheel, E-40-D, auto trans. & other parts, \$250/1-up. J. McCollough, Pitkin, LA 70656; (318) 358-3329.

1987 Ford 1-ton flat bed diesel truck, 4 speed, gooseneck hook-up, \$2000. Michael Jordan, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 628-3771.

Ford F-700 gin pole truck, fair cond., new tires, \$1500. A.R. Bordelon, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-7125.

2002 F-250 crew cab, 4x4 lariat, diesel, 1 owner, mint, \$33,900, firm. T.C. Warner, Bossier City, 71112; (318) 347-6806.

1996 Ford F-250 XLT 351, 5 speed, cruise, tilt, elec. locks/windows, trailer connection, rack & tool bins, 70K miles, 15K miles on tires, \$8000. Reginald Robertson, Pineville, 71360; (318) 443-1211.

Ford 900 silage truck'72 model, w/16' dump bed, w/cable tailgate, 671 Detroit, good cond., \$5500. Brent Duncan, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-9493.

Wanted: tail gates for 1989 Chevrolet C1500 pickup & 1991 Ford dually. John Dallas, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 367-3547.



(2) 7' **x** 15' Steel trailer, (2) axle, \$400/1. Mark Ledoux, Livingston, 70754; (225) 698-6528.

Farm wagon, road worthy, good cond., \$100. Robert Fletcher, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-8622.

Barrett alum. 5-horse slant stock type trailer, '92, plexi-glass for openings, front tack & separate dressing room, \$8800. Katharine Pee, Eros, 71238; (318) 249-2817.

Sundowner 2-horse bumper pull trailer, w/dressing room, new tires, \$2150. JoAnn Graphia, Baton Rouge, 70817; (225) 753-5534.

(35) Cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, for hauling hay or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., delivery avail, \$500-\$1450/1. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island, 71368; (318) 389-5395.

2000 Ditchwitch utility trailer, large, 2 axle, excel. cond., \$500; large utility trailer, 7000 lbs., excel. cond., \$300. Robert Fletcher, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-8622.

102' x **23'**, 18' deck w/5' dovetail, (2) 7000 lbs. axles, brakes on both axles, treated floor, brand new, \$4800. Dickie Sherman, Crowley, 70526; (337) 788-0240.

Homemade stock trailer, bumper pull, iron floor, double axle, 5' x 12', good cond., \$500. Mitch Attales, Pine Prairie, 70576; (337) 599-2307.

450 Case front-end loader on tracks, w/3 axle equip. trailer, \$6500; 16' utility trailer, dual axle, elec. brakes, \$900. Sonny Bougeard, Church Point, 70525; (337) 873-4062 or (337) 207-4062.

20' Gooseneck flatbed, 6'-10' wide, between finders, 3500 lbs. axles, wood floor, ramps on 6-hole 15" tires, \$1200. Danny R. Cobbs, Coushatta, 71019; (318) 932-1607.

2002 W & W 14' bumper pull stock trailer, center gate, front side gate, sliding rear gate, electric brakes, spare tire, very clean, \$2450. Marshall Jordan, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 628-5182.

1993 Sooner living quarter trailer, 3 hs, 8' x 35', custom floor plan, FRP exterior, generator, garage kept, extras, \$28,000. Webster LeBlanc, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-7182.

14' Stock & horse trailer, tandem axle, w/ top bulldog hitch, bumper pull, \$600. Tim Coolman, Montgomery, 71454; (318) 646-

4' x 11' JD, back board wagon, spring seat, school bus seats, seats (6), rubber tires, hand brakes, toang, breast yoke, ready to hitch, \$1500. Daniel Desormeaux, Maurice, 70555; (337) 893-8070.

(2) Horse W&W trailer, new tires, new paint job, new running lights, new windows, new floor mats, \$1400. Robert Gay, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-6430.

6' x 34' Gooseneck, 3 axle flatbed, dovetail trailer, w/elec. brakes & ramps, car hauler or for hay, 6 mos., \$4000; 19' gooseneck car hauler, dovetail, w/ramps & elec. brakes, \$1800. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

34 yd., dragline w/extra bucket, \$4000; 16' livestock gooseneck trailer, \$850; 16' gooseneck trailer, \$850; GMC 2-car carrier, \$2850. Sam Ducote, Bunkie, 71322; (318) 346-6371.

2002 Dual tandem trailer, 32', w/dove tail, (3) ramps, radial tires & spare, toolbox, (2) jacks, sway control, & adjustable hitch, used twice, new cond., \$5950. Charles Henry, Dry Creek, 70637; (337) 639-2397.

4' X 8' HM cattle trailer, w/lights & sliding back gate, \$225. Huey Ducote, Bunkie, 71322; (318) 346-7556.

HD 16' trailer, w/bulldog hitch, new tires, \$1500. Joe Tantillo, Albany, 70711; (985) 419-0960.

1972 Tempte alum. hopper bottom trailer, \$3800. Jimmy Aguillard, Lake Charles, 70607; (337) 523-5161.

Wanted: 20' bed, 6' 11" low boy, bumper pull or gooseneck trailer, 6000 or 7000 lb. axle, excel. cond. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

FARM & LIVSTOCK SUPPLIES

Please include a statement along with your ad indicating how the item has been or can be used on a farm

16" Hereford roping saddle, great cond., \$400; 15" handmade barrel racing saddle, great cont., \$300. Charles Simoneaux, Port Allen, 70729; (225) 627-4630.

Child's saddle, 12" seat w/stirrup covers, \$60. Stefanie Duhon, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 652-6200.

Cattle guard, 8' x 16' railroad iron w/wings, shop built, never installed, \$350. Chris Douget, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6763.

200 amp., Lincoln welding machine, steel bed & boxes, welding leads, F-350 Ford truck, \$5000. Raymond Burleigh, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-7005.

Hay crimper/conditioner, \$500; elec. bale elevator, \$2000; saddle tanks & racks, \$200; bed leveler, \$200. Terry Grady, Batchelor, 70715; (225) 492-3211.

(1) New 7,000 lb. axle, w/elec. brake, 8 legs on hub., \$250. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Sheet metal machine, 40" wide capacity, shears, rolls, bends, hand powered, \$335. Bill Woodruff, Pineville, 71360; (318) 466-3497.

Oxygen & Acetylene cart, heavy duty, \$75; portable engine hoist, 2 speed ram & expandable boom, \$200; 3 phase electric motors 10-200 hp, \$5/per hp-5 hp; Honda water pump w/ 2" suction & discharge hoses, \$400; 200 amp Lincoln welder w/leads, \$2500. Morris Pitre, Opelousas, 70590; (337) 543-7289.

Australian stock saddle, all the best of English & Western in one great saddle, gently worn, beautiful saddle w/great details, \$350. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel, 70722; (225) 683-4919 or (225) 937-0540.

Galv. panels & pens, med. duty, 50' round pen, panels are 1 7/8" x 16", frame 1 7/8" x 18", inner bars, includes 4' bow gate, \$820. Michael Passman, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5094.

Ranger 8 portable welder, 16 hp Onan, 150' leads, excel., \$1700; trailer, \$2600. Gordon Smith, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-5476.

(2) Commercial metal doors, 36" x 83" door interlock, \$50; (4) 700-15 LT tires like new, \$100; SX75 JD lawnmower w/grass catcher, bad motor, \$250. L. Allen Jagneaux, Sulphur, 70665; (337) 583-4002.

55-Gallon metal drums w/lids & locking rings, \$10/1 or \$8/4 or more. Nelson Menard, Youngsville, 70592; (337) 856-8044.

(2) 6' x 6' x 16' long & 3/16" thick square steel beam, brand new, \$75/1. David Joiner, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-6734.

Submersible water well, 3 phase, 15 hp, includes pipe, \$800; rebuilt Detroit 4-53 diesel power unit, \$2500. Michael Daigle, Branch, 70516; (337) 224-0501.

Rebuilt injection pump & injectors for Onan engine model MDJE, excel. shape, \$150. B. Bergeron, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-1909.

Christmas tree sprayer, barrel type, \$70; knapsack sprayer, new solo model 425, \$70. Robert Fletcher, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-8622.

Cattle self feeder on wheels, 2000 lb. cap., w/deck on rear for lick tubs, no rust, \$700. Carol Duhan, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 652-6200.

800' 5" heavy wall pipe, \$3.5/ft., del. avail.; 900 joints ³/₄" sucker rods, \$8/1 @ farm, \$9/1 delivered. T.L. Enright, Sicily Island, 71368; (318) 389-5395.

New #2 pipe fittings & flanges, 2"-24", \$5-\$250. Rocky Carney, Robeline, 71469; (318) 354-1100.

Fireplace insert, firebricks in bottom & sides, 2 motors, opening 25" high, 32" wide, 17" deep, \$350. Louis Van Hoof, Lecompte, 71346; (318) 776-5405.

Koch commercial smoker, automatic hog scraper, Donavon carcass splitter, Jarvin electric skinning knife, wire tray & rolling racks, small freezer, ice box, small cooler, \$5000/all. Bobby Stewart, Leesville, 71446; (337) 239-2878.

Cattle feed trough, built on skids, w/metal tops, 4'x8', \$200. S. Gourdon, Goldonna, 71031; (318) 357-0616.

Circle Y 16", western show saddle, silver trim, light oak, tooled, new, used 5 times, new girth included, \$850. Betty Lecompte, Houma, 70364; (985) 790-4131.

New Priefert squeeze chute, \$1400; panels, \$45/8'; \$48/10'; \$52/12'; \$62.5/16'; auto head gate, \$350; hay rings, \$110. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8478.

40-ton mix-mill farm feed factory, good cond., \$3800. Dale Westmoreland, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-5713.

Metal barrels w/locking lids, \$10/1. E.H. Welch, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-8590.

Black metal pipe, 1" sch. 40, 38¢/ft.; 1 ½" sch. 40, 46¢/ft.; 1 ½" sch. 40, 56¢/ft.; 2" sch. 40, 80¢/ft. Colton Terrell, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 514-0722

Heartwood commercial band sawmill, 2-way cut, 6" double-edged blade, 80 hp, perkins-tandem axles, 500 hrs., \$29,500. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale, 71463; (337) 639-2953.

Wanted: (2) 12 volt barrel pumps for diesel, prefer broken ones. J.P. Lawlis, Lake Charles, 70601; (337) 477-6362.

Wanted: Corn grinder or crusher. Duncan Smith, Jonesboro, 71251; (318) 259-8404.

Wanted: Troy-Bilt tiller. J. Oliver, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 276-3453.

Wanted: I-beams or H-beams, thick wall (1/4", 3/8" or ½" thick) 6"-12" web. F.J Prescott, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 658-9319 or (337) 942-7621.

Wanted: wood splitter, in working cond. or not, can be hyd. w/motor or for tractor PTO. Clyde McNeely, Florien, 71429; (318) 586-7345.

Wanted: used 3 pt. cement mixer, 5 cubic feet or more. Whitney Derise, Lake Charles, 70605; (337) 477-0659.

Wanted: wide pad dozer or will trade 1150 Case dozer for wide pad dozer. Carl Plessala, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 365-5182.

Help feed the hungry -Donate to your local food bank.



FROM THE FARM

One king size handmade quilt, pattern "trip around the world", \$200. Delois Howard, Glenmora, 71433; (318) 748-8869.

Goat-milk soap, handmade, skin soothing, all natural, many varieties, \$4/1 5-6 oz bar. Kathleen Matte, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7130.

Fairbanks-Morse windmill, w/8' fan; 40' tower, \$800. Patrick Richmond, Glenmora; 71433.

Hand quilted queen size quilt "double wedding ring", white, \$150; old fashion quilt tops, ready to quilt, different patterns, \$20/1-up. Mary Fontenot, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-7428.

Wild hog traps, w/swing or drop door, sand blasted & painted, \$300/1. Chuck Harris, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-5885.

Wanted: windmill type pond aerator. Patrick Richmond, Glenmora, 71433; (318) 447-8090.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

March 1-4

Eunice Mardi Gras celebration featuring: "Rendez-Vous des Cajuns" Cajun music radio & TV show, Junior Melancon & the Come Down Playboys and Steve Riley & the Mamou Playboys, Saturday night Mardi Gras dance at 8 p.m. & Monday night street dance at 5:30 p.m. For more information call (337) 457-7389 or (337) 457-2565 or visit their Web site at www.eunice-la.com

March 8

North La. Poultry club's spring show, March 8, 2003, Haynesville, La., at the fair grounds, large fowl & Bantams. For more information call, (318) 949-0018.

18th Select Heifer Sale

The 18th Annual Select Heifer Sale will be held at 1 p.m. March 1 at the Zero Brahman Ranch sale barn in Thibodaux.

There will be 158 heifers consigned for the sale.

- •29 2 yrs. or older with calves or bred
- ◆48 15-23 month heifers, some open, exposed or bred
- open, exposed or bred ◆81 – 12-14 month heifers, open
- For more information, contact Michael Hebert at (985) 446-1316 or Laury Clement at (985)447-7748.

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Carnival's coming...It's Mardi Gras time!

Layered Party Slaw

1 small head green cabbage, shredded

1 cup purple cabbage, shredded

1/2 medium head cauliflower, chopped

8 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled, divided 2 cups frozen green beans, thawed

2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms

1/2 cup sliced green onions

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

1 1/4 cups slaw dressing

2 medium tomatoes cut into wedges

In large glass serving bowl, layer cabbage, cauliflower, half of bacon, peas, mush-room and onions. Top with cheese, dressing and remainig bacon. Cover and refrigerate several hours or over night. Garnish with tomatoes before serving. Yields 12 servings.

, Hot Reuben Spread`

1/2 pound sliced cooked corned beef, coarsely chopped

1 16 oz.-can sauerkraut, rinsed, well drained

3/4 cup Thousand Island salad dressing 2 cups (8 oz.) shredded Swiss cheese

1 3 oz.-package cream cheese, cubed

In 1 1/2 to 3 quart slow cooker, combine all ingredients; mix well. Cover; cook on low setting for 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 hours. Stir spread. Serve with toasted cocktail rye bread slices.

Easy Sausage & Provolone Cheese Balls

1 pound bulk Italian pork sausage

1 cup complete buttermilk pancake and waffle mix

1/2 teaspoon dried basil leaves

2 cups (8 oz.) shredded Provolone cheese

1/4 cup chopped green onions

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Line 15x10x1 baking pan with foil. Spray foil with non-stick cooking spray. In food processor bowl with metal blade, combine sausage, pancake mix and basil; process just until combined. Add cheese and green onions; process on/off pulses to blend. Shape mixture into 1 inch balls; place foil-lined pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 10-15 minutes or until meatballs are no longer pink in center. Serve warm with cocktail toothpicks.

Lemon Yogurt Fruit Dip

1 8 oz. container lemon yogurt

1 8 oz. container sour cream

1 teaspoon ginger

1 tablespoon honey

1/2 teaspoon grated lemon peel

1/2 teaspoon lemon juice

In small bowl, combine all ingredients; blend well. Cover; refrigerate 1 to 2 hours before serving to blend flavors. Serve with assorted fresh fruit.

* Elegant Cheese & Fruit Platter

1 8 oz. wedge Stilton or Gorgonzola cheese

1 8 oz. block white Cheddar cheese

1 8 oz. round Camembert or Brie cheese

1 7oz. package package dried apricots 3/4 lb. seedless green grapes, in small clusters

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1 med. pear, sliced

1 pint strawberries, halved

1 large crisp red apple, sliced

1/4 cup dried cherries lemon leaves or fresh

rosemary sprigs

Arrange cheese in center of large serving platter. Cover; let stand at room temperature about 30 minutes. Arrange fresh fruit in groups around cheese. Sprinkle dried apricots and cherries over cheese and fruit. Tuck lemon leaves among fruit. To serve, provide cheese spreaders for soft cheeses and cheese planes for harder cheese. If desired, serve cheese and fruit with crackers.

Seedling sale begins soon for shade-tree packets

The annual shade-tree seedling sale sponsored by the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry will be held February 24-28 at district forestry offices throughout the state, according to Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom.

In Lafayette, the sale is scheduled for February 20-March 1. In New Orleans the sale will be two days only, Feb. 24-25.

There are district offices in Baton Rouge, Clinton, DeRidder, Hammond, Haughton, Monroe, Natchitoches, New Orleans, Oberlin and Woodworth. Some districts will hold sales in locations in addition to the district office. Dates and times will vary and will be publicized locally, Odom said.

"We suggest that interested individuals look for local publicity on the sale or call the district forestry office in their area to find out exact times and places seedlings will be available," Odom said.

Two types of seedling packets will be on sale — a pine packet and a hardwood packet. The pine packet contains 20 seedlings and costs \$3. Loblolly pines will be available in all of the district offices except New Orleans and Lafayette where slash pine packets will be sold.

The hardwood packet contains a total of six trees, including two baldcypress and one each of blackgum, Chinese elm, cherrybark oak and river birch, also for \$3. The Lafayette office will also offer a cypress packet containing 6 seedlings for \$3.

Packet species content may vary in some cases, depending on availability.

All seedlings will be year-old, bare-root seedlings. They will be available on a first-come, first-served basis and cannot be reserved in advance. "We encourage people to get to the sale early in the week because in years past, we've sold out of certain species before the sale is over, especially the hard-woods," Odom said.

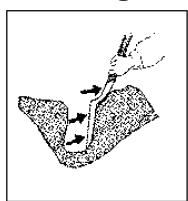
All of the seedlings are native to Louisiana and are well suited to the state's growing conditions. They are large trees at maturity and should be planted on sites where their limbs will not interfere with overhead utility lines or structures, and their roots will not interfere with sewer lines, slab foundations, walkways or driveways as they mature.

Instructions for planting and care of the seedlings are included in the packets

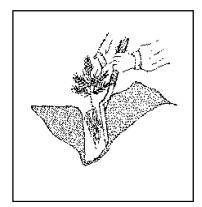
Care of tree seedlings before planting:

- Keep roots moist
- Avoid sub-freezing temperatures
- Keep in cool place out of direct sunlight
- Plant as soon as possible

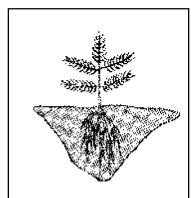
Planting instructions for shade trees



Dig a hole, wider than seems necessary, so the roots can spread without crowding. Remove any grass within a three-foot circular area.



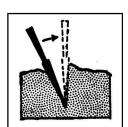
Plant tree the same depth as it stood in the nursery without crowding the roots. Partially fill hole and pack the soil firmly around lower roots. <u>Do not add soil amendments</u>, especially peat or bark.



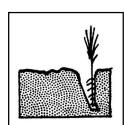
Shove in the remaining soil and pack firmly with heel. Water the tree thoroughly so that all air pockets are removed (when bubbling stops).

Dibble planting instructions

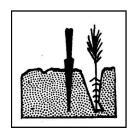
for pine tree seedlings



Insert dibble at angle shown and push forward to upright position.



Remove dibble and place seedlings at correct depth.



Insert dibble 2 inches toward planter from seedling.

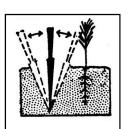


Pull handle of dibble toward planter firming soil at bottom of roots.

Push handle of dibble forward from planter, firming soil at top of roots.



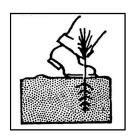
Insert dibble 2 inches from last hole.



Push forward, then pull backward, filling hole.



Fill in last hole by stamping with feet.



Firm soil around seedling with feet.

Care of tree seedlings after planting:

- ◆ Stake the tree using a 2 x 2 placed next to the tree with a piece of loosely tied twine. This will protect the tree from wind and mower damage. Stake should remain in place until the tree is well established (2 years).
- Cover the planting area with mulch (such as pine bark, leaves, pine straw or compost) to control grass and conserve moisture.
- Water the tree thoroughly once a week when there is no rainfall.
- Prevent mechanical damage, especially from mowers.

2003 Shade-tree Seedling Sale Locations

Baton Rouge

LDAF Building 5825 Florida Boulevard (near Ardenwood Dr. & Florida Blvd.) (225) 952-8102

Lafayette

LDAF Building 2266 S. College Ext., Ste. F (Boy Scout Building, off E. Kaliste Saloom Rd.) (337) 262-5433

Clinton

LDAF Building 10221 Williams Dr. (corner of Plank Rd. and Williams Dr.) (225) 683-5862

DeRidder

LDAF Building 585 Highway 3099 (Cecil Doyle Rd., across from National Guard Armory) (337) 463-7801

Hammond

LDAF Building 47076 N. Morrison Blvd. (North of Trey-Yuen Restaurant) (985) 543-4057

Franklinton

USDA Building Natural Resources and Conservation Services Office 1111 Washington (985) 839-5688

Mandeville

Abita Fire Tower 21369 Fire Tower Rd. (985) 893-6212

Haughton

LDAF Building 740 Covington Rd. (I-20 exit 33, N. Frontage Rd.) (318) 949-3225

Monroe

LDAF Building 756 Highway 80 East (318) 345-7535

Natchitoches

LDAF Building 4089 University Pkwy. (across from Nicky's Mexican Restaurant) (318) 357-3126

New Orleans

City Park Zachary Taylor Dr. (504) 483-4795

Oberlin

LDAF Building 9418 Highway 165 (near the fire tower) (337) 639-4978

Olla

LDAF Building Highway 165 South (across from Mac's Supermarket) (318) 495-5218

Woodworth

Indian Creek Rec. Area (318) 487-5172

Coming Your Way

Ag crisis summit, Feb. 26-27 in B.R.

Louisiana farmers and agribusiness leaders will meet with some of the nation's top policy makers Feb. 26-27 in Baton Rouge at the Holiday Inn South for the 2003 Agricultural Crisis Summit: Actions for the Future.

The meeting features speeches and presentations by Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Bob Odom, LSU AgCenter Chancellor Bill Richardson, Gov. Mike Foster and Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation President Ronnie Anderson.

USDA and American Farm Bureau Federation officials will present keynote addresses during the Feb. 27 morning session. A working lunch will include commodity breakout sessions that continue into the afternoon.

Registration is free and is required for participation. Registration is available online at www.lsuagcenter.com/agsummit/. For more information, contact Trudie Lewis at (225) 578-2391.

Youth rodeo, Mar. 1

The Turkey Creek Youth Rodeo will be held at 6 p.m. March 1 at the Turkey Creek rodeo arena.

There are three age categories for all events, which are open for children and youth up to age 18.

For more information, call (337) 668-4558.

Barrel racing show

The Acadiana Barrel Racing Association will host its first 2003 point show March 2 at the SugArena in New Iberia.

Exhibitions begin at 9:30 a.m. and the books will close at 11 a.m. Late entries will be accepted until the class being entered begins.

Novice and Youth classes are offered in both barrels and pole.

Memberships will be available, but are not required to run. Family memberships are \$55, single memberships are \$40.

For more information, contact Lynette Colgin at (337) 873-3900 or Michelle Leleux at (337) 367-3423. Information is also available on the group's Web site, www.barrelracers.net.

Angus sale, Mar. 8

The Louisiana Angus Association will hold its annual female sale at noon March 8 at the LSU AgCenter Dean Lee Research Center in LeCompte.

There will be 60 lots of quality Angus pairs, bred and open heifers. For more information and a free catalog, contact the American Livestock Brokers at (662) 837-

4904 or email alb@dixie-net.com.

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News around the nation

Agriculture & Forestry issues from across the 50 states

Maryland horsemen host Russian equine interns

Eleven Russian equine specialists are in Maryland to participate in up to six months of training in the state's renowned horse industry. Leading Maryland breeders and trainers are participating in the "internship" program with the goal of further developing trade with the Russian horse industry.

The Russian "interns" will gain first hand experience with Maryland's equine practices and standards in breeding, training and racing (thoroughbred and standard bred) to apply to modernizing Russia's horse industry. In turn, Maryland horsemen hope Russia will look to them when buying

horses and equipment to improve their industry.

"The internship program is a winwin situation for everyone," says A g r i c u l t u r e Secretary Lewis R. Riley "The Russians gain

knowledge about and access to a world-class equine business and we hope Maryland will benefit from sales of horses and equipment to Russia."

Four veterinarians and seven other professional riders and train-



Russia to spend up to six months with five hosts from farms, a saddlery, and a racetrack in Harford, Cecil, Carroll, Baltimore and Prince George's counties. The internship experimate possible through a

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ence is made possible through a \$150,000 grant to the Maryland Department of Agriculture from the U.S. Department of Commerce's Special American Business Internship Program (SABIT).

"We welcome the Russian horse-

men as part of our ongoing trade relationship with their country," says Errol Small, chief of marketing for the Maryland Department of Agriculture. "People around the world recognize Maryland as an equine leader and Russian horsemen are looking to us as a resource as they strengthen their own racing and equine businesses."

In the past two years, the Maryland Department of Agriculture has facilitated five visits from representatives of the Russian horse industry to Maryland farms and horse sales. Maryland horsemen and agriculture officials visited Russia last year.

Texas farmers get checks for lack of irrigation water

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs announced that 1,862 federal agricultural assistance fund checks were mailed in late January to farmers in the Rio Grande Valley who applied for and were certified to receive a portion of \$10 million in aid

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison secured the aid for farmers affected in 2001 by the lack of irrigation water from the Rio Grande and by decreases in water allocations due to Mexico's noncompliance with the 1944 U.S.-Mexico Water Treaty, Combs said. Hutchison began the process of securing an additional \$10 million for farmers affected by the lack of irrigation water in 2002 in the Fiscal Year 2003 "Omnibus" Appropriations Bill, which passed the Senate in January.

Aid for 2001 was distributed by dividing the \$10 million in federal funds by eligible and approved irrigated acreage.

"A total of 455,388 acres were eligible for this aid, and farmers will be paid \$21.77 for each affected acre," Combs said. "Although, this amount does not even come



close to covering actual losses, estimated to be \$259 per acre in 2001, the assistance should help offset some farmers' losses."

The majority of the aid - more than \$8 million - will go to Cameron and Hidalgo counties for 376,431 affected acres, Combs said.

Farmers in Cameron, Hidalgo, Kinney, Maverick, Starr, Val Verde, Webb, Willacy and Zapata counties were asked to apply for the federal aid if they had acreage that was eligible for water allocations for agricultural use in the Rio Grande Watermaster system through irrigation water rights either individually or through a water irrigation district during the 2001 crop year.

Bearded dragon caught in Hawaii

A tree-trimming crew found a bearded dragon, which is an illegal lizard in Hawaii, near Wilhemina Rise in late January.

The owner of the property on Maunahilu

Place turned the lizard over to the Hawaiian Humane Society and the lizard was picked up by an inspector from the Hawaii Department of Agriculture.

"This capture is particularly disturbing since it is the first report of a bearded dragon being caught in the wild in Hawaii," said Sandra Lee Kunimoto, chairperson for HDOA. "We urge anyone that may



have illegal animals to turn them in under amnesty rather than releasing them."

Bearded dragons, illegal for individuals to transport or possess in Hawaii, are native to

central Australia and are common in the pet trade on the mainland.

Persons possessing illegal animals are subject to stiff penalties, including fines of up to \$200,000 and up to three years in jail. Individuals with illegal pets are encouraged to voluntarily turn them in under the department's Amnesty Program, which offers immunity from prosecution.

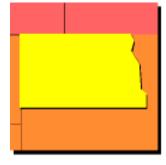
N.D. ag commissioner backs ethanol, biodiesel mandates

Agriculture Commissioner Roger Johnson has urged the Legislature to mandate usage of ethanol and biodiesel fuels, saying such mandates would expand markets for agricultural producers, reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil and provide environmental benefits.

"Elected officials on both sides of the aisle continually pledge their support for and speak to the benefits of value-added agriculture. I believe it is time to put action behind the words," Johnson said, in testimony before the North Dakota Senate Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

"If we are truly looking to add value to agricultural products in this state and to encourage new markets and new products, we in government have to be willing to play an appropriate role to foster that process"

rocess."
Testifying in support of Senate Bill 2027, which would require that



all 87-octane gasoline sold in North Dakota be blended with 10 percent ethanol, Johnson pointed to Minnesota as an example for North Dakota to emulate in promoting and mandating ethanol use.

"The North Dakota Corn Growers Association estimates that 26 percent of the fuel sold in North Dakota is an ethanol blend - that compares with 65 percent in South Dakota and more

than 90 percent in Minnesota," Johnson said. "Minnesota's ethanol success story should serve as a lesson to us in North Dakota."

Johnson said that since legislative mandates, Minnesota has not only replaced 10 percent of the gasoline sold in the state with ethanol, but has seen construction or expansion of a dozen ethanol plants, most of them farmer-owned.

Later in testimony before the House Finance and Taxation Committee, Johnson testified in behalf of House Bill 1309 that would require all diesel fuel sold in North Dakota be a minimum 2 percent blend by 2007, provided that refineries in the state annually produce more than 5 million gallons of biodiesel and that a federal incentive for biodiesel usage is also in place.

"Approximately 3 percent of North Dakota's soybean production would be processed and utilized as biodiesel if the 2 percent biodiesel requirement in diesel fuel was put in place," Johnson said, noting that soybeans are a plentiful cash crop in North Dakota.

Johnson said the proposed legislation not only gives the industry plenty of time to prepare for the mandate, but also provides a corporate income tax credit to cover necessary costs.

"We can and must do more to promote the production and usage of renewable fuels such as biodiesel," Johnson concluded. "The U.S. marketplace is too often overlooked by agriculture as we focus on acquiring new international markets. Biodiesel and ethanol are great examples of new demand, as opposed to displaced demand often resulting from new international markets. Both are important, but new demand results in a bigger pie, not just a bigger piece of the old pie."

Visit your local farmers market

BEAUREGARD PARISH DeRidder

City Farmers Market 202 North Washington Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Jan. - Dec.

CADDO PARISH

Shreveport

Festival Plaza Farmers Market river front at Festival Plaza Wed. & Sat. 6:30 - 11 a.m.

June 1 - Sept. 7

CALCASIEU PARISH

Lake Charles

Lake Charles Farmers Market Ryan Street & Broad Sat. 8 a.m. - noon March - Dec.

EAST BATON ROUGE

<u>PARISH</u>

Baton Rouge

Red Stick Farmers Market #1 On Fifth St. near Main & Galvez Parking Garage Sat. 7 - 11 a.m. May - Sept.

Sat. 8 a.m. - noon Oct. - April Red Stick Farmers Market #2 8470 Goodwood Blvd. Unitarian Church Parking Lot

Tues. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. May - July, Sept. - Dec.

IBERIA PARISH

New Iberia

Teche Area Farmers Market Iberia St. & Main St. at Bouligny Plaza

Tues. 5 - 8 p.m. until Oct. 27 after Oct. 27, 4 - 7 p.m. Sat. 8 - 11 a.m. mid May - Dec.

LAFAYETTE PARISH

Lafayette

Acadiana Farmers Market 801 Foreman Dr. & Dulles St. Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

5 - 10 a.m. Jan. - Dec. **LAFOURCHE PARISH**

Thibodaux

Thibodaux Main Street Market La. Hwy. 1 & Maronge St. Sat. 7 - 11 a.m. May - Nov.

MADISON PARISH

Tallulah

Tallulah's Farmers Market 408 N. Cedar St., Hwy. 165 Tues., Thurs. & Sat. 8 a.m. - noon June - Nov.

MOREHOUSE PARISH

Bastrop

Morehouse Farmers Market 305 East Madison St. Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m Sat. 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. May - Dec.

NATCHITOCHES PARISH

Natchitoches

Cane River Green Market Cane River Bank - downtown Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. April- Oct.

ORLEANS PARISH

New Orleans

Crescent City Farmers Market Location #1 - 700 Magazine St. Saturday 8 a.m. - noon Jan. - Dec. #2 - Uptown Square, 200 Broadway Tues. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Jan. - Dec. #3 - American Can Co., 3700

Orleans Ave. Thurs. 4 - 7 p.m.

Jan. - Dec. **OUACHITA PARISH**

Monroe

Monroe Farmers Market 1212 Washington St. Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat. 6 a.m. - 2 p.m. May - Sept.

West Monroe

West Monroe Farmers Market 1700 North 7th St Mon. - Sat. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

ST. LANDRY PARISH **Opelousas**

St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St., Hwy. 90 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

6 a.m. - noon

mid May - Nov. ST. MARTIN PARISH

St. Martinville

St. Martinville Creole Farmers Market

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La. dairy industry board launches new Got Milk? billboard campaign

The Dairy Farmers of Louisiana have launched a new series of bill-boards urging consumers to drink more milk.

The billboard campaign spotlights distinctive Louisiana language and imagery while raising awareness of the dairy industry in the state. The artwork builds upon the well-established "Got Milk" campaign, which has been running nationally for nearly 10 years and has become a part of the American vernacular.

The new outdoor ads personalize the message to Louisiana by tying dairy products to Louisiana staples such as strawberries, seafood and café au lait, and by using terminology including "Paw Paw" and "Cher."

"These billboards are truly Louisiana," Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom said. "The words and pictures speak to every Louisianian – from the northern part of the state to the deep south."

Lanny Conerly, chairman of the Louisiana Dairy Industry Promotion Board, also praised the billboard campaign. "We were very pleased by the images presented and fully expect that consumers will enjoy them as well. The campaign specifically addresses Louisiana residents, and we are excited about the opportunity to reach a broad audience by using outdoor billboards."

The billboards are appearing throughout the state with images that are particular to the regions in which they are running. They were put up in November 2002 and will run through April, a period that coincides with the greatest milk production levels in Louisiana.

The Dairy Farmers of Louisiana, through the Dairy Industry Promotion Board, is responsible for the development and implementation of an advertising, promotion and education program designed to increase the consumption of milk and other dairy products.

The Got Milk advertising campaign has become an important component in the promotion of dairy products in Louisiana as the industry continues to see a steady decline in the number of dairies in the state. The drop off is attributed to extremely low prices paid to milk producers – low prices that are not reflected in the price consumers pay for milk in retail stores.

Promotional activities, such as

the statewide billboard campaign, are aimed at increasing milk consumption in order to keep milk production levels high enough to support local farmers.

"In about 20 years we have lost nearly 65 percent of the dairy farms in this state," Odom lamented. "It's really a sad thing. I know our consumers want fresh milk that comes from a local source, but if the numbers keep dwindling we'll all have to drink milk shipped in from Wisconsin or someplace. We need promotions like this to try to keep our dairy farmers in business."

The numbers support Odom's statements. In 1982, according to the LSU AgCenter, there were 1,012 dairy farms in Louisiana, and in 2002, there were about 370 dairy farmers. Officials estimate that in the first month and a half of 2003 the state has probably lost another three to five dairy farmers.

Odom said he encourages Louisiana milk lovers to remember to buy local brands that process milk from Louisiana dairy cows.

"As I do with all Louisiana products, I urge everyone to buy local," Odom said. "The money stays in Louisiana and helps support our Louisiana producers."

Louisiana dairy fast facts:



- about 370 dairy farms
- ◆ 45,064 dairy cows
- ♦ 580,654,624 lbs. of milk produced
- ♦ \$81,175,516 gross farm value



Based on milk production, the top five dairy parishes in Louisiana in 2001 were Tangipahoa, Washington, DeSoto, St. Helena and Beauregard.

Source: LSU AgCenter



The dairy industry's statewide billboard campaign features catchy slogans using cultural phrases, several of which are unique to Louisiana. This sign, using "Got Milk, Cher?" with a crab trap in the background, is along Interstate 110 in Baton Rouge. The billboards were designed by Zehnder Communications of New Orleans.





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